BLACKSBURG POLICE DEPARTMENT

News Release

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SUBJECT: Felony Hit and Run of a Pedestrian

On May 8, 2003 at 207 a.m. the Blacksburg Police Department responded to a Hit and Run accident involving a pedestrian at N. Main St. at College Ave Extension.

A green 1994 Honda belonging to Geoffrey Eisenberg of Blacksburg struck Thomas Wade Ashburn, a 22-year-old male from Suffolk, Va., on N. Main St and left the scene. The vehicle was located by the Blacksburg Police on Houston St. in Blacksburg at 219 a.m. where Brian Robert Salta, a 22-year-old male from Prince Frederick, Md., was arrested for Felony Hit and Run.

The owner of the vehicle, Mr. Eisenberg, was not involved in the accident.

Mr. Ashburn was transported to Montgomery Regional Hospital where he received treatment and was released.

Mr. Salta was incarcerated on a \$5,000 secured bond. Mr. Salta has an arraignment date set for May 21, 2003 at 830 a.m. in the Montgomery County General District Court in Blacksburg.

North bound traffic on North Main St. in Blacksburg was re-routed for over 2 hours while the police investigated the scene.